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Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary
Department of Telecommunications and Energy
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Dear Secretary Cottrell:

RE: DTE 03-99

We are writing to request your expeditious review and approval of the Cape Light Compact's (Compact) extension of its default service pilot project through calendar year 2004. Since its inception in May 2002, the Compact's default service project has saved Cape Cod and Martha's Vineyard consumers approximately \$4 million.

The Compact's default service pilot project has introduced Cape Cod and Martha's Vineyard consumers to the competitive market and the concept of customer choice. The pilot project has also established a forum between a competitive supplier and the distribution company to identify and remove barriers to competition.

Continuation of the default service pilot will enable customers to realize financial savings and should serve as a bridge to providing competitive power supply for all Cape Light Compact customers. Extension of the default service pilot is in the best interest of the consumer and the competitive market. We strongly encourage you to support the proposed extension.

Sincerely,

Linda S. Burt, Chair

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